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REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

This report deals with the Vital Statistics of the 31 principal towns in the Island proclaimed under sections 31—36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Births.

- 2. The births registered in the 31 towns during the month numbered 1,190 (600 males and 590 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 26.25 per 1,000, against 29.24 during the preceding month, 27.38 in the corresponding month of last year, and 29.56 the monthly average for the sixty months, July, 1907, to June, 1912. Of the towns (excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, which have a population under 1,000), the highest birth-rate was in Kalpitiya (58.67, average 24.47), and the lowest in "Hatton and Dikoya" (7.73, average 15.38).
- 3. In the city of Colombo* the births numbered 426 (216 males and 210 females), and were equal to an annual ratet of 22·16 per 1,000, against 25·75 in the preceding month, 23·51 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25'19 the monthly average. Of the wards (omitting Fort and Galle Face and the Pettah, which contain a mainly floating population), the highest birth-rate was in Wellawatta (36.78, average 30.64), and the lowest was in Kollupitiya (8·37, average 17·02).

Deaths.

- The deaths registered in the 31 towns during the month numbered 1,712 (935 males and 777 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 32.89 per 1,000, against 29.80 in the preceding month, 42.03 in the corresponding month of last year, and 30.79 the monthly average. Of the towns (excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala), the highest death-rate was in Anuradhapura (68·16, average 56·29), and the lowest was in Kegalla (4·80, average 24·29).
- 5. In the city of Colombo* the deaths registered numbered 589 (324 males and 265 females), and were equal to an annual ratet of 29'93 per 1,000, against 28'77 in the preceding month, 40'92 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32.29 the monthly average. Omitting Fort and Galle Face Ward and the Pettah Ward, the lowest death-rate was in Kollupitiya (10·13, average 18·89), and the highest in Slave Island (26·96, average 25·19).

Infantile Mortality.

- 6. The infantile mortality of the 31 towns was equal to a rate of 314 per 1,000 births registered, against 280 in the preceding month, 403 in the corresponding month of last year, and 257 the monthly average. In the towns having an estimated population of 5,000 or more, the infantile mortality ranged from as high as 1,000 in Puttalam. (average 290), 800 in Anuradhapura (average 424), 556 in Kurunegala (average 352), to 175 in Matara (average 171), 147 in Weligama (average 101), and 83 in Chilaw (average 198).
- 7. The infantile mortality in the city of Colombo was 326 per 1,000 births registered, against 305 in the preceding month, 479 in the corresponding month of last year, and 316 the monthly average, and ranged from 657 in Slave Island (average 371) to 214 in Wellawatta (average 234).

Causes of Death.

- 8. Infants.—Out of the 1,712 deaths at all ages in the 31 towns, 374 were among infants under one year. Of these, the chief causes were 106 Convulsions (including 35 in Colombo, 16 in Galle, 9 in Moratuwa), 74 Debility (27 in Colombo, 6 each in Negombo, Jaffna, and Ratnapura); 47 Premature Birth (13 in Colombo, 10 in Kandy); 32 Pneumonia (12 in Colombo, 5 in Kandy); 18 Diarrhæa (5 in Colombo); 18 Bronchitis (10 in Colombo, 6 in Jaffna); 14 Enteritis (13 in Colombo); 13 Tetanus (5 in Matara, 4 in Colombo, 3 in Galle).
- 9. In the city of Colombo, out of the 589 deaths from all causes at all ages, 139 were among infants under one year. Of these, the chief causes were 35 Convulsions (11 in Maradana, exclusive of hospitals, 7 in Slave Island); 27 Debility (8 in Slave Island, 5 in New Bazaar); 13 Premature Birth (6 in Maradana hospitals, 3 each in Kotahena and Maradana, exclusive of hospitals); 13 Enteritis (3 each in Kotahena and Maradana, exclusive of hospitals); 12 Pneumonia (3 in Kotahena); 10 Bronchitis (3 in New Bazaar, 2 each in St. Paul's, Kotahena, and Slave Island); 5 Diarrhæa (3 in Kotahena); 4 Tetanus (3 in Kotahena).

The city-rate is worked out differently from the ward-rates, and takes into account hospital events, &c., not assignable to wards.

^{*} Consequent on the extension of the Municipal limits of the Colombo town on November 9 last by the addition of Wellawatta, the limits of the registration division of Kollupitiya Ward was altered with effect from January 1, 1912, by Proclamation of December 18, 1911.

- 10. General Mortality (One Year and over).—Out of the 1,338 deaths of persons one year and over in age in the 31 towns, there were 161 from Pneumonia (48 in Colombo, 20 in Moratuwa, 11 in Kandy); 123 from Diarrhæa (16 in Ratnapura, 12 in Negombo, 11 in "Hatton and Dikoya"); 116 from Phthisis (55 in Colombo, 14 in Galle, 11 in Kalutara); 102 from Dysentery (24 in Colombo, 18 in Moratuwa, 12 in Jaffna); 67 from Enteritis (39 in Colombo, 9 in Kurunegala); 54 from Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis (12 in Badulla, 9 in Colombo, 7 in Matale); 52 from Malaria (15 in Jaffna, 8 in Anuradhapura); 39 from Malarial Cachexia (6 in Ratnapura, 4 in Negombo); 32 from Enteric Fever (19 in Colombo, 5 in Moratuwa); 32 from Accidents or Negligence (13 in Colombo); 29 from Bronchitis (17 in Colombo, 4 in Puttalam); 26 from Convulsions (9 in Colombo, 3 in Trincomalee); 23 Bright's Disease and Nephritis (10 in Colombo, 4 in Moratuwa, 3 in Kurunegala); 13 from Puerperal Septicæmia (8 in Colombo).
- 11. The highest mortality in the city of Colombo was from Phthisis (12 per cent. of all deaths one year and over), followed by Pneumonia (nearly 11 per cent.), Enteritis (nearly 9 per cent.), Dysentery (5 per cent.), Enteric Fever (4 per cent.), Bronchitis (nearly 4 per cent.). Out of the 116 deaths from Phthisis in all towns, 55 occurred in Colombo. Phthisis and Pneumonia were together responsible for 115 deaths at all ages in the city, or 19 per cent. of the deaths from all causes.
- 12. Taking all towns together, Diarrhea and Dysentery contributed the highest mortality (nearly 15 per cent.), followed by Bronchitis and Pneumonia (14 per cent.), Infantile Convulsions (nearly 8 per cent.), Phthisis (nearly 7 per cent.), Debility (6 per cent.), and Enteritis (nearly 5 per cent.).
- 13. Infectious Diseases.—The most prevalent infectious disease during the month was Enteric Fever, of which 70 cases were reported (53 in Colombo, 10 in Moratuwa, 3 in Galle), followed by Phthisis 61 (52 in Colombo, 2 each in Kandy, Matara, and Badulla), Measles 59 (33 in Colombo, 18 in Kandy, 4 in Nuwara Eliya), Chickenpox 47 (19 in Colombo, 11 in Kandy, 5 in Galle, 4 each in Jaffina and Trincomalee), Continued Fever 28 (19 in Colombo, 3 in Galle, 2 each in Kalutara and Mannar), Mumps 4 (2 in Batticaloa, 1 each in Colombo and Nuwara Eliya), and Dysentery 3 (1 each in Moratuwa, Panadure, and Galle).

Meteorology.

- 14. Rainfall.—Badulla records the highest rainfall (14.94 inches), followed by Batticaloa (14.70 inches). The next highest (13.93 inches and 13.91 inches) were in Matale and Kandy, while in the other towns the rainfall ranged from 12.91 inches in Nuwara Eliya to 3.11 inches in Puttalam.
- 15. Temperature.—The mean temperature varied from 57.8° in Nuwara Eliya to 79.4° in Colombo, and was 74.1° in Kandy.
- 16. For detailed information see Tables I. and II. for all towns, and Tables III. and IV. for the city of Colombo, in the Appendix.

Registrar-General's Office, Colombo, January 14, 1913. P. ARUNACHALAM, Registrar-General. _ _ ____

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† Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain-gauges.

† Corrected death-rates for "Hatton and Dikoya." Weligama, Kalpitiya, and Lunugala towns not available, as they were created reath-rate giver for "All Towns" is therefore independent of these towns, but is scarcely affected by their rates.

† Estimated to the end of June, 11 in ability of applying the intercensal method, as the limits of the team were altered between 1901 and 1911. (4)

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City of Colombo	219,557	226,969	216	210	426	324	265	589	72	517	25 · 32	22.16	28 · 99	26 · 89	29.93	139	319	326
Fort and Galle Face	3,512	3,512‡	(1		63	1	63	1	23	4.95	3.36	98.9	6.72)		66	
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San Sebastian	11,546	11,877	12	7.	23	Ιο̃	15	30	ນດ	25	21.57	22.86	24.79	24.85		œ	359	348
St. Paul's	24,735	25,402	14	18	32	21	22	43	œ	355	17.17	14.87	24.52	16.27		. 14	413	437
Kotahena	40,771	41,827	42	23	65	45	47	92	Ì	65	22.82	18.35	24.50	25.97.		24	322	369
New Bazaar	22,309	23,054	22	22	44	24	26	20	15	35	23.76	22.53	28.80	17.92		14	398	318
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Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals)	48,093	50,272	45	68	8 4	65	89	100	(100	22.35	19.73	26.60	23.49	!	82	358	333
Slave Island	21,984	22,773	14	21	35	23	53	52	1	52	23 · 74	18.15	25.19	26.96	!	23	371	657
Kollupitiya	25,410	26,796	φ	133	13	11	12	23		23	17.02	8.37	18.89	10.13		∞	569	421
Wellawatta	13,223	13,482§	25	17	42	17	11	28		28	30.64	36.78	26.08	24.52	1	6	234	214
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The population of these two wards being a fluctuating one, their population cannot be estimated to the middle of 1912. Hence the Census figures a This population is estimated partly on the natural increase method and partly on the intercensal increase method, i.e., population of Wellawatta on division at the Census of 1901) and that of the part of Kollupitiya taken over to Wellawatta on the latter method.

For the six months, January to June, 1912.

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